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After several weeks delay this 28 page Bulletin reached the outgoing mail on May 14th. Brimful of News, Comment and Offers for everyone. The following is but a brief summary of its contents.

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Popular Stamps

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ESSAYS BRING TOP PRICES

Two composite die essays of Canada, described as "probably unique," sold for $700 when the British North America collection of Donald W. Partridge of Montreal was auctioned by Harmer, Rooke & Co., Inc., 560 Fifth Ave., New York, on April 15-16.

These "composites" consist of 5c, 10c and 15c essays for the "Small Cents" issue. They are on India paper, one in dark green with a "100" counter above the essays, and the other in dark carmine.

The "Barnard's Cariboo Express Paid" frank on cover with pair of 3p British Columbia, $165. A similar Barnard adhesive frank on cover with 2½p and 5c British Columbia, $35. A Wells, Fargo & Co., Victoria, cover with five copies of Canada No. 39, brought $45.

A Goodall trial color small die proof in green of the 12p (Canada No. 3), $65. A four-margin, used 10p blue (No. 7a), full catalogue of $170.

A large die proof of the $1 Jubilee in purple lake, $65. A complete set of large die proofs of the 1908 Tercentenary stamps, $450.

A correspondent at Wanham, 347 miles north west of Edmonton is happy that news from Ottawa about new stamps has for the last issues been made official earlier than usual, so such as he in remote places distant from Ottawa, get the news through P.S. in time to prepare first day covers and also be able to secure the stamps for such on their first day at their own post office where the postmasters apply for such.

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Following is copy of an advertisement from the Weekly Herald, Prince Arthur's Landing, Thunder Bay, Ont., April 15, 1882:

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Cobden, Ontario, May, 1953.

The Thunder Bay Historical Society is to establish a museum at Port Arthur and the museum committee is anxious to get some early entires and post cards postmarked Thunder Bay, which was the name of the post office prior to 1884 when Port Arthur was incorporated as a town.

RE-OPEN OLD POST OFFICE

The Ross House, Winnipeg, is to be re-opened as a sub-postoffice June 15th, at which time a special cachet will be applied to all letters mailed at the Ross House. For first day covers, stamped addressed covers should be enclosed in an outer cover addressed to the Postmaster, Winnipeg.

At the same time the Ross House will also be opened as an historical museum. It is directly across the street from the C.P.R. station and is accessible to visitors during the usual train stop-over. It is under the joint auspices of the City of Winnipeg, the Manitoba Historical Society and the Post Office Department.

The Northwest Federation of Stamp Clubs is holding an exhibition at the Hotel Georgia, Vancouver, B. C., May 29 to 31 with the British Columbia Philatelic Society as the host society. Members from Washington, Oregon, Idaho, British Columbia and Alaska are expected to take part.

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The New Brunswick Commemorative

by E. W. Person

Among the many attractive commemoratives issued by the Canadian postal department is the 2-cent stamp issued on the 16th of August, 1934, to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the founding of New Brunswick. Although there were 5,050,000 of them issued, the stamp is rapidly becoming quite scarce and Sisson's quote the stamp at 18c used and 25c mint, while No. 210a, a variety of the issue, commands a price of 50c either used or mint. If one had been smart in 1934 and invested in a thousand or so. think of the return on your investment!

Public announcement of the stamp came only a week before the stamp was to be issued, although the Montreal Gazette got the scoop on the story, by being a week ahead of the officials. How they got the information is still a secret, but they must have had some smart reporters on the staff.

Only plates one and two were used in the printing, and the stamps were printed in sheets of 100 on a flat-bed press. There were no straight-edges, and the color of the stamp struck a new note in Canadian issues and can be described as a deep brown-lake. First day covers were quite scarce due to the short notice, and those that were sent were really hot off the press. In fact the ink was not yet dry, and some of it passed from the stamp, on to the next cover.

The stamp itself is a dignified portrayal of the official seal of New Brunswick showing a frigate at the mouth of the St. John River at the settlement of Maugerville. On the left side can be seen a row of houses, while on the right, a pine tree can be seen growing on the bank of the river. Within a double circle are inscribed the words, "Nov Bruns Sigill Provinciae" which can be translated from the Latin meaning, "Seal of the Province of New Brunswick." In small capital letters below the ship are the words, "Spem Reduxit" which is a phrase meaning "Hope leads on".

Originally New Brunswick was a part of the French Canada known as Acadia, but when the British took over they made it a part of Nova Scotia. The first settlements of New Brunswick were made in 1604 by Pierre de Guast, the Sieur of Monts, and Samuel de Champlain. The first colony on the mouth of the St. Croix River was abandoned, but was frequently visited by fur traders. The British made their first settlement on the St. John River at Maugerville in 1762, and two years later a group of Scottish immigrants took up land along the Miramchi River. The United Empire Loyalists arrived at the present site of St. John city on May 18, 1783. Many more Loyalists arrived a year later, hence making it necessary to create a separate province in 1784. It was in honour of this event that this stamp was issued.

CALGARY PHILATELIC

At the 32nd annual meeting of the Calgary Philatelic Society, held in the Herald Board Room. Tuesday evening, May 12th, Mr. S. T. Richardson was unanimously re-elected as president for the third consecutive year. The following slate of officers was also elected: Vice-President, E. Lynn; Secty.-Treas., G. M. Hill; Recorder, G. H. Moxam; Executive, Dr. Beddingfield, J. Benningen, B. Horne, W. J. E. Wylie.

In his annual report, Mr. Richardson reported an increase in membership during the past year. The highlight of the year's activities was the joint purchase, together with other Calgary stamp associations and the Public Library, of the book on the Royal Philatelic Collection. The annual dinner and auction last December was also a huge success. Mr. Richardson urged the appointing of an attendance and membership committee to contact unaffiliated collectors in the city. Meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month in the Herald Board Room, to which all collectors are cordially invited.

Kelson's booklet "Dinky Daymus Varieties" has been well received since its announcement last issue. While too early yet for remarks by book reviewers, several private collectors and dealers have written in complimentary remarks thereon.

Your Postmark Please

When the name of a post office and an outstanding event have an inferred relationship you may depend that cover fans will "hop" on it. Such was the case at the time of the Coronation of the Late King George VI back in 1937. Coronation post office in Alberta was litterally swamped with requests. So much so was the demand that for the coming Coronation of Queen Elizabeth, special plans are being made to meet the demand.

Following are some comments by the Coronation, Alta., postmaster. He apparently was goodnatured as he did a lot of work for nothing—in some instances not even getting the sale of the stamps used. Some of the requests were a bit unreasonable. His remarks follow:

Opened 471 letters of instruction as to how stamps should be cancelled, each one having individual ideas. Most correspondents were exceedingly courteous, but many very, very thoughtless. One chap enclosed 102 covers already stamped; we got the work.

Requests from different countries were, Peru, Uganda, Ceylon, Australia, New Zealand, British Honduras, Honolulu, Hawaii, Fiji Islands, Gibraltar, British Isles and Ireland, Penang, Straits Settlements, Rangoon, Burma, Jinga, Channel Islands, Scandinavian countries, all over this continent including Chesterfield Inlet, and China.

His Majesty had some sent to him. One little girl sent one because she thought he might be forgotten. Any notable people had several sent by friends or acquanintances from the old country. Viscount Hailstone, Lord Chancellor of Britain also got one.

Because of covers already stamped we missed the sale of 600 stamps, but got the work. We did it cheerfully. We had old stamps sent to be exchanged for the "Coronation" issue and put on to be datestamped here. We had a few who thanked us in advance if we would be good enough to send cover stamped and datestamped here, address, only, no money, we obliged. Bobbie licked 600 stamps at one session, but he could still talk. Several sent stamps but no envelopes. We supplied the envelopes. Pictures of the town, post office, inside of office and of staff were also wanted. One chap wanted data for an eastern paper. Approximately 4000 covers were sent out.

PLATE BLOCK NOTES

Mr. Hubert Lethaby, Victoria, B.C., writes re Scotia's column about "Mostly About Plate Blocks": I read this article with much interest, and since comment is requested, I quite agree, outside Plate 6 (orange) that the upper Right of Plate 11 (4 red) is about one of the most difficult to obtain. I have it, but at quite a fair sum, nevertheless, if I had waited it might not have been possible to get it at all.

I notice further that the Two Cent (green) is shown by Plates 5-8 inclusive. What about the two plates 3 & 4. Possibly the "5" should have read "3". I have both these two plates complete, in fact I have all the items mentioned "ordinary" and surcharge "G", complete with the exception of the "Wicked" Pl. 6. I have been willing to pay for the last mentioned item

The proofs and essays of the Partridge collection brought higher prices than similar items did in the recent Reford sales.

A large die proof in red violet of the 12-pence Victoria and the 10-cents Albert sold for $250. Other interesting prices follow:
a tidy amount, without any offers forthcoming; perhaps some of your readers may be willing to part with, sundry of the positions, at excellent profit to themselves.

I have all the Overprints of the "O.H.M.S." with the exception of six positions—high and low values—and the same remarks apply to the Current High values in the "G" surcharges as well as the lower values covered by "Scotia's" article.

I don't recall ever seeing any mention of a constant variety in the 2c current olive green coil. Every 25th stamp in the roll shows the two triangular designs on the left side both upper and lower corners as blunt and very poorly formed—showing almost as a smudge. They are immediately discernable with the naked eye. —Stan. C. Koepe.

Venice

Here is the remarkable ancient city of canals, with the highly utilitarian Gondola serving as a taxi. Shortly after you receive this issue a great international philatelic convention will start at Venice. As at Citex, Capex, and Rhinatex most of the world's important stamp dealers will be represented. I have already met most of these dealers at previous exxpositions or in past buying trips. Hence I look forward to this convention to renew old acquaintances and meet new friends.

Inevitably a great deal of time will be devoted to social matters and reminiscences. Also much discussion will take place as to the relative merits of the exhibits of M. Berrus and other famous amateurs. But business will also be discussed, even though to a lesser extent than at North American conventions. I mention this since the great European centres are so close together that business relations are well organized without great need for conventions, such conventions serving more of a social function.

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The New Stamps

Criticism of the new Queen Elizabeth stamps for Canada has come far from being complimentary. Not only have philatelists been disappointed but also the general public. We anticipate that in the philatelic press each new issue will draw some adverse criticism on some point or other, but in the instance of these new Queen Elizabeth stamps the lay press has been as critical, or more so than the philatelic press.

Regarding these last stamps this office has had more letters of complaint regarding them than any preceeding issue; and also about the forthcoming Coronation stamp.

We have been charitable in expressing opinions at length on previous stamps but this time we are afraid we've got to join with the other critics, who feel that the picture of the Queen is very poorly engraved. That it comes far from doing justice to the Queen, who is a beautiful young lady, is repeatedly mentioned. Even the crown and insignia are rough shod in appearance. The modern fashion of dispensing with borders on engravings is lamented. Probably the urge of the times for speed and mass production has cost us much in artistry, not only in stamps but in many other things. After 100 years of high regard for the beauty of Canada's stamps, it is to be regretted if the beginning of another 100 years sees it start out with mediocre work and lose us the distinction our stamps have so long enjoyed.

And just to forget any philatelic angles and see these stamps merely from the viewpoint of the general public, we've already heard postal clerks exasperated with the change of colours and illegibility of denomination figures on the stamps. The only colour retained is blue for the 5c stamp, and we believe international usage sets the style here, but for the other denominations the colours nearly wander all over the spectrum. Green for years was the 1c colour, now we must get used to brown, and the 2c as green. On top of that the denomination figures are indistinct. From the public's standpoint this matter of indistinct figures will be exasperating. Even philatelically nice, clear figure tablets have been pleasing points in the balance and attractiveness of our stamps.

REVIEW OF "DINKY DAYMUS VARIETIES" BOOK

by L. Seale Holmes, M.D.

This most interesting book has just reached my desk and I really had to sit back and go thru it in the short time I was permitted. I was sitting beside a phone which has a habit of ringing rather frequently and the door of my office has a buzzer which, shall I say, annoys me so often when I want to do something for myself — perhaps I shall change it for chimes; that may have a better affect on me. However, I decided to run off a short review of the book. First it is bound with a very attractive cover and printed on substantial paper. It is, of course, more than loaded with illustrations, which have been used to illustrate the column that has run for so many years in Popular Stamps and contributed by my good friend Aubrey Kelson. Naturally he has had the co-operation of many collectors. The author admits he is a charter member of the "Fly speck" fraternity. I am surprised at you Aubrey, using up your good eyesight on things beneath the notice of the average collector. Perhaps you have real good eyesight plus good glasses and a good magnifying lens. However, we now have the result of years of work, put out in a nice usable form. No collector, of Canadian stamps, at least, can afford to be without this very interesting book. Beside the "Fly specks" you will find real illustrations showing re-entries of many of the Canadian stamps. He shows the rock and also the log in the waterfall of the 5c Beaver. I once found a "horse shoe" at the bottom of the waterfall—sorry I did not report it to you. I also have a nice variety in the ½p Canada which shows a large "blob" of color similar to the 1c pink shown on page 19. I have often said that I did not believe any two stamps of our early issues are exactly alike. The more you look INTO them the more variations you find. The author admits, too, that he made most of the sketches. Congratulations. You are a very

modest artist who has done a most excellent job. Only wished you lived in a good city (London) for we could use you. I heartily recommend this book to every collector of Canadian stamps.—L. Seale Holmes, M.D.

T.T.C. STAMP CLUB

The T.T.C. Stamp Club held in annual general meeting an election of officers on May 5th, with the following officers elected for the 1953-54 season: President, Mr. T. C. Berkeley, Vice-President, Mr. E. Burnett, Secty-Treas., Mr. R. J. Smalley.

The club held its annual stamp exhibition on April 21st with a showing of some forty frames, the judges Mr. Doug. Patrick, Mr. H. Gosney and Mr. H. Nicolle who had quite a difficult time in choosing the winners as the competition is becoming keener each year.

The annual T.T.C. Hobby Show was held on April 24th and 25th and in the stamps section Mr. R. J. Smalley won the grand award, the Croft Memorial Trophy for the best exhibit in the show. The judges for this show were Dr. J. C. Goodwin, Mr. C. Foster and Mr. C. Aikens.

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RAMBLING GOSSIP

By Mufti

Our Canadian issues of five new low denominations which will have been issued before you read this message, have been getting some severe criticism in the Toronto press and various philatelic journals. According to a write-up in B.N.A.P.S. the Coronation stamp has also been getting its share of well deserved criticism in a Toronto Daily and has been referred to as an "atrocity" and in my opinion would have been better not to issue it. In "Stamps" of New York our own Dr. Holmes gives the new issue a very poor reception. In a London journal from overseas a correspondent writes that they are an insult to the Royal Family. It would appear as though the reception of these new stamps in other countries of the Empire will prove somewhat distressing. After you have all seen what the coming Coronation issues of Australia and New Zealand are like you will not be surprised at the poor reception our own new issue is receiving.

Collectors of stationery will be interested in knowing that new air letter sheets will shortly be issued by Aden, Mauritius, Australia and Trinidad. The last two named will definiely have Her Majesty's head in the design.

Australia has just issued a new 3½d stamp with the Queen's head facing right. It is both an attractive pose and likeness. A new 1d and 3d will be issued shortly. The latest report is that the current 4½d stamp will be off sale shortly.

Trinidad and Tobago issued a new set on April 20th which have an inset of the Queen's head. Not much has been written about new designs, but it is to be hoped after the long years of the Geo. VI issue we may get something new in the make-up.

Due to pressure of business and absence from Toronto I was unable to attend the C.P.S. Jubilee convention which I am told had a heavy attendance of collectors and members from all over the Dominion. It is most encouraging to hear that the convention was a financial success, which speaks well for the management and organization.

New stamps of various denominations will shortly be in preparation for Mauritius. Designs have been announced in London for the proposed new Bermuda set which will for the first time include a 1sh3d stamp in the 16 denominations to the 20sh. No date of issue has yet been anounnced.

India has issued a rather attractive railway Centenary stamp which will no doubt be grabbed up by all topical collectors quite quickly.

So long to you all now and a good Coronation sorting time to you.

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Does anyone want to become editor and publisher of a stamp magazine? Your present editor-publisher seems to be slipping. This month we are real late. Our excuse: A shot of ill-ness last winter took a lot of gimp out of us that is taking its time coming back. We not only have P.S. to look after but also a couple of other lines. We're not so young any more and can't take the grind like 15 or 20 years ago. We've got to drop one or other of our endeavors — but not necessarily P.S., as we love the little rag. After all we've hung up a record with it as the longest, continuous running philatelic magazine to be published in Canada in a near 90-year period in which some 135 or 140 such periodicals made a try at it. We're proud of our success, and we're not out to seek a successor who hasn't the background to insure its carrying on successfully. We've had a couple approach us who hadn't this qualification. In the first place it will cost something to buy in. Ten or twelve years of spade work getting its roots down and creating goodwill are not to be given away for a song. The best prospect to carry-on would be a printer-philatelist, old enough to know his business and young enough to have the pep and years to carry on. But when all is said and done we may not surrender P.S. to anyone. We may drop one of our other lines and thus have gained more time to devote to publishing "Popular Stamps."

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On Thursday evening, April 16, the T.S.C.C. held their annual spring catalogue auction. Walter S. Bayley, Leslie A. Davenport, A. Earl Edwards and R. J. Woolley acted as auctioneers, each handling about 100 lots. The room was filled to capacity with over 100 collectors, many of whom came from out of town. The mail bids were handled by Chas. F. Foster, secretary, who had received bids from 131 collectors. Bidding was brisk and 432 lots were disposed of in the record time of three hours. Prices were good and mail buyers took about half the lots to total $1,095.15, while the floor bidders total was $1,027.30. The auction was the largest ever put on by the club.

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By Marion Dick Peyton

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Others scheduled for 1953 are:

June 12—3c and 5c commemoratives for Postal Union.

Oct. 24—3c and 5c United Nations commemoratives for U.N. Day.

Dec. 10—3c and 5c Human Rights Day commemoratives.

The Louisiana Purchase stamp had its first day sale at St. Louis, Mo., on the 30th of April.

Other U. S. issues have been announced by the Postmaster Geueral but first day sales are not known yet. The six new commemoratives are:

1. Golden Anniversary of Aviation.
2. 100th Anniversary of Commodore's Visit to Japan.
3. 75th Anniversary American Bar Association.
4. 25th Anniversary Future Farmers of America.
5. 100th Anniversary Gadsen Purchase.
6. Gen. George S. Patton Jr.

U.S. Postal Authorities are considering issue of a series of stamps honouring distinguished American Medical Leaders.

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